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Application Number: 10/628,601  
Filing date: July 28, 2003  
First named inventor: Berman, Michael  
Attorney docket number: 01-965/1D

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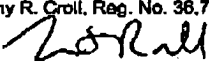
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	First Named Inventor	Borman, Michael	
	Art Unit	2812	
	Examiner Name	Luk, Olivia	
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**In re Application of :**

Michael Berman et. al.

**Serial No. :** 10/628,601

**Filed :** July 28, 2003

**For :** Method And Apparatus For  
Detecting Backside Contamination  
During Fabrication Of A  
Semiconductor Wafer

**Group Art Unit : 2812**

**Examiner :** Luk, Olivia

**Atty Docket :** 31692-70168 / 01-965/1D

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## **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code (if known)			
		5,868,896		Robinson et al.	02-09-1999	
		5,944,580		Kim et al.	08-31-1999	
		6,390,905		Korovin et al.	05-21-2002	
		6,488,569		Wang et al.	12-03-2002	
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